

## Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 ROME 10302 031353Z  
ACTION AF-10

INFO OCT-01 EUR-12 ISO-00 IO-13 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-05  
H-01 INR-10 L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-01 SP-02  
SS-15 ICA-11 /089 W  
-----069707 040943Z /15

R 031300Z JUN 78  
FM AMEMBASSY ROME  
TO SECSTATE 3274  
INFO AMEMBASSY KINSHASA  
AMEMBASSY PARIS  
USUN NY 3411

C O N F I D E N T I A L ROME 10302

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PINS, MOPS, AO,CG, SF  
SUBJECT: ANGOLA AND THE SHABA INCURSION

DURING JUNE 3 DISCUSSION WITH MFA DIRECTOR AFRICAN AFFAIRS  
RACHELE (SEPTTEL) HE REPORTED TO EMBOFF ON A "FOR WHAT IT IS  
WORTH" BASIS DISCUSSIONS ITALIAN AMBASSADOR HAD HAD WITH ANGOLAN  
PRESIDENT AND PM. BOTH HAD DENIED ANGOLAN COMPLICITY IN THE  
KATANGESE INCURSION INTO SHABA. PM LOPO WAS PARTICULARLY VEHEMENT  
ACCORDING TO THE AMBASSADOR'S REPORT. THE INCURSION HAD NOT  
ONLY BEEN WITHOUT THE AID OR KNOWLEDGE OF THE GOVERNMENT OF  
ANGOLA, BUT WAS DIRECTLY CONTARY TO ITS INTERESTS. THE INCURSION,  
LOPO SAID HAD ONLY SERVED TO DISTRACT/WORLD ATTENTION FROM  
THE SOUTH AFRICAN RAID IN KASINGA AND HAD TRANSFORMED ANGOLA  
IN WORLD OPINION "FROM A VICTIM INTO AN AGGRESSOR". THE GOA  
PLANNED, LOPO IS REPORTED TO HAVE SAID, TO ARREST THE  
KATANGESE FORCES WHEN THEY RETURNED TO ANGOLAN TERRITORY  
AND TO MAINTAIN STRICT CONTROLS OVER THEM.GARDNER

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** Z  
**Capture Date:** 01 jan 1994  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** INVASIONS, POLITICAL SITUATION  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 03 jun 1978  
**Decaption Date:** 20 Mar 2014  
**Decaption Note:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Action:** RELEASED  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 20 Mar 2014  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1978ROME10302  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** n/a  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** GS  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Expiration:**  
**Film Number:** D780233-0877  
**Format:** TEL  
**From:** ROME  
**Handling Restrictions:**  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1978/newtext/t19780699/aaaadhiz.tel  
**Line Count:** 44  
**Litigation Code IDs:**  
**Litigation Codes:**  
**Litigation History:**  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM  
**Message ID:** 6549be92-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc  
**Office:** ACTION AF  
**Original Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** ONLY  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 1  
**Previous Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Previous Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** ONLY  
**Reference:** n/a  
**Retention:** 0  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 02 may 2005  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**SAS ID:** 2501192  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** ANGOLA AND THE SHABA INCURSION DURING JUNE 3 DISCUSSION WITH MFA DIRECTOR AFRICAN AFFAIRS RACHELE (SEPTTEL)  
HE REPORTED TO EMBOFF ON A \"FOR W  
**TAGS:** PINS, MOPS, AO, CG, SF  
**To:** STATE  
**Type:** TE  
**vdkgvkey:** odbc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS\_Docs/6549be92-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc  
**Review Markings:**  
Sheryl P. Walter  
Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
20 Mar 2014  
**Markings:** Sheryl P. Walter Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 20 Mar 2014